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BEFORE THE POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20268-0001

In the Matter of:
Ogden, AR Post Office
Ogden, AR 71853

Docket No. A2012-31

UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE NOTICE OF FILING OF ADDENDUM TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE RECORD

(December 19, 2011)

The Postal Service hereby gives notice of the filing of an addendum to Item No. 17 in the administrative record supporting the Final Determination to Close the Ogden, AR Post Office and Continue to Provide Service by Rural Route Service. Item No. 17 was updated on December 13, 2011 in an effort to clarify certain details with respect to the calculation of the cost of replacement service. The Postal Service submits that the filing of this addendum to Item No. 17 clarifying the administrative record should not prejudice any party in this proceeding.

Respectfully submitted,

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ARKANSAS DISTRICT



December 13, 2011

MEMO TO RECORD

SUBJECT: Ogden Post Office Administrative Record

After review of the Administrative Record for the discontinuance of the Ogden Post Office, the following information is added to clarify certain factual statements made in Item 17 of the Administrative Record.

Item No. 17

Item 17 indicates that there would be no additional cost to discontinuing the Ogden Post Office if customers choose to maintain a Post Office Box at the Ashdown Post Office.

If, however, all Ogden Post Office Box customers choose to utilize rural route delivery, there would be an additional expense estimated at \$7,803.00 annually. The breakdown is as follows:

One hundred eighty four (184) new boxes with a volume factor of 2.31 would result in an additional 425.04 minutes, or 7.08 hours, per week. The rural carrier currently has a workload of 52.35 hours per week, and the additional one hundred eighty four boxes will result in a total workload of 59.43 per week. Currently, the rural carrier is classified as a K44, earning \$59,876 per year. This classification has a workload maximum of 53.23 hours per week, which is less than the new total with the one hundred eighty four boxes added. As a result, the carrier will be reclassified as a K48 carrier, earning \$67,679 per year. In the alternative, if the route is considered to be over-burdened, then the route will be reduce to fall in the K43 classification, which allows for 52.0 hours per standard week, and another route will be adjusted to include the remaining 7.43 hours per If not all one hundred eighty four current Ogden Post Office Box customers choose rural route delivery, then the route may not become overburdened. However, for purposes of estimating the potential cost of replacement service by rural route, the addition of the one hundred eighty four new boxes will result in a total cost of \$67,679, less the current cost of \$59,876, for a total cost increase of \$7,803 per year.

If the Postal Service decides to provide Cluster Box Units (CBUs) to Ogden Post Office Box customers, the cost would be approximately \$11,704 for 12 units.

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Possible locations for the CBUs could be any of the businesses in Ogden, including the Town of Ogden, 608 Pine Street, Ogden, AR 71853.

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